Agricultural Engineering:

AICRP on PHT at GAU, Junagarh

AICRP on RES at SPRERI, Vallabh Vidyanagar

Suicides by farmers

3166. SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN :

SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of farmers who have committed suicides in different parts of the country during 1999-2000 to 2002-2003 June end, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) the total amount of compensation paid to the families of these unfortunate farmers, year-wise and State-wise;

(c) whether Government are aware of the main reasons for the incidences of suicide ;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what action Government are taking to avoid such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Assistance to U.P. for agricultural projects

†3167. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial assistance given by the Central Government to Uttar Pradesh during the last two years for the development and upgradation of agricultural projects;

(b) whether the amount given by the Central Government for this purpose has been utilized completely by the State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) The details regarding financial assistance given to U.P. and utilization thereof for different Centrally Sponsored Schemes of the Department of Agriculture and operation are given in the enclosed Statement.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.